

City Policy – COVID-19 Masks & Cloth Face Coverings

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In its continuing efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends the use of nonmedical masks or cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.

The City of Fond du Lac recognizes this protection recommendation and agrees that employees, who choose to do so, may wear these cloth face coverings or other masks while at work. The employee is responsible for providing their own mask, if they choose to wear one. This recommendation is voluntary and at the employee's discretion. If your department has provided more specific guidance on wearing masks, please follow their guidance.

While you may have a mask of your own, the CDC has put out some instructions for making and caring for homemade cloth face coverings for when a mask is not available. Please see these recommendations and instructions in the below links. Note that the CDC has made clear that the cloth face coverings guideline for nonmedical settings are not surgical masks or N95 respirators.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-face-cover.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>